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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Smith et al.

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated February 13, 2002, Applicants elect without traverse Group I, Claims 1-2.

In view of the foregoing, the claims are now believed to be in form for allowance, and such action is hereby solicited. All objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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